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Food and Drug Administration  
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Dear Food and Drug Administration:

My name is Mallory Cohen, and I am in Mrs. Gallof's health class at Oceanside Middle School. We are learning about the dangers of tobacco products. I am writing to you with the idea to require cigars to have warning labels.

Ten million Americans smoke cigars. The nicotine in cigars are as addictive as heroin and cocaine and forty times more deadly. I think that cigars having warning labels will be most helpful. This year more than 450,000 Americans will die prematurely of diseases linked to smoking.

Smoking one cigar is equivalent to twenty unfiltered cigarettes or smoking one cigar is like smoking an entire pack of cigarettes. This problem is all around America. Men, women, and some children are smoking cigars mostly because of curiosity, and they are unaware of the dangers and affects.

Thank you for your time and I hope you will take my proposal into serious consideration and require cigars to have a warning label on it.

Sincerely,

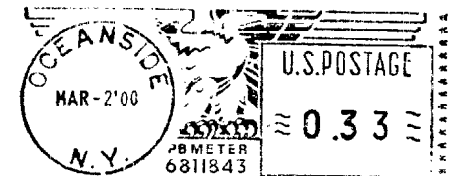
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